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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A user interface of a handwriting recognition system intended for use in small electronic devices, such as PDAs, mobile telephones and laptop computers. The user interface is a semi-transparent window that opens in response to a user-initiated manuscript input to any point on a touch-activated screen of a display of the electronic device. The semi-transparent window may be resized or moved, as desired by the user, and may be automatically sizable in response to the placement of the user's manuscript input on the touch-activated screen.